

Williamsburg Area Arts Commission Meeting
January 5, 2009
City of Williamsburg, Municipal Building
Third Floor Conference Room
9 a.m. – 11 a.m.

Attendance

Present: Sophie Hart, Laura Barry, Polly Bartlett, Terry Buntrock, Les Dubnick, Michael Kirby, Lanette McNeil, Paul Tongue, Shelley Weisberg and City Liaison, Julie Phares.

Welcome and Public Comment

Ms. Hart called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. No members of the public were present.

Approval of the November 3, 2008 Meeting Minutes

Ms. Barry noted the hyphen should be removed from her name. There being no other corrections to the minutes, adoption was moved by Mr. Dubnick and seconded by Mr. Tongue. Minutes were approved unanimously.

Williamsburg Area Arts Commission Business

Grant Application Review --

Commissioners were reminded of our agreement that non-compliant applications would be penalized by a 10% reduction of the grant recommendation amount. Reasons for non-compliance are: handwritten forms, use of non-standard forms, omission of sections of the application. It was noted that fewer applications were submitted to the Commission this year. Commissioners agreed that for this year no distinction would be made between applications that request funds for general operating budgets and for project budgets, pending further discussion at a future meeting.

Grant applications from the following applicants were reviewed and discussed:

The Williamsburg Symphonia
Virginia Symphony
Tidewater Classical Guitar Society
Williamsburg Consort
Williamsburg Choral Guild
Williamsburg Women's Chorus, Inc.
Publick Times Chorus of Sweet Adelines
Virginia Chorale
Virginia Shakespeare Festival
Williamsburg Players, Inc.
Celebrate Yorktown Committee
The Williamsburg Music Club
This Century Gallery of Williamsburg
Yorktown Arts Foundation
First Night of Williamsburg, Inc.
Virginia Arts Festival

An Occasion for the Arts
Virginia Opera
Theatre IV
Young Audiences of Virginia
Virginia Stage Company
Williamsburg Regional Library Foundation
Williamsburg Youth Orchestra
Flute Frenzy
Williamsburg Youth Harp Society
Community Alliance for Performing Arts
Stage Lights
Virginia Regional Ballet
Institute for Dance
WHRO
Cultural Alliance of Greater Hampton Roads
Williamsburg Area Arts Commission

Submission of State Grant Application to Localities --
Ms. Hart and Ms. Phares will submit the State Grant Application.

Future Business

Round Table Discussion Topics –

Commissioners are asked to submit three topics to Ms. Hart that might be used as discussion points at a round table meeting with former Arts Commissioners.

Interviews of Arts Organizations –

Commissioners will discuss making meeting time available for arts organizations to make verbal presentations to the Arts Commission.

Definition of Funding Requests –

Grant requests for general operating expenses and for project funding will be discussed.

Future Meetings

Monday, March 9, 2009, 9:00 – 11:00, Municipal Building, 3rd Floor Conference Room

Tuesday, March 17, 2009, 4:30 for brief meeting prior to City Council budget session.

Location TBA.

The May meeting date and time will be determined at the March 9 meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,
Terry Buntrock
Secretary, WAAC